

We claim:

1. A utility knife, comprising:
  - a handle;
  - a first cutting element; and
  - a second cutting element, wherein
- 5 the handle comprises a body and a grip, the body having a first end, a second end, and at least one notch, the first end comprising a plurality of extensions forming a gap, the second end comprising a slot;
  - the first cutting element being fixedly coupled to the first end such that the first cutting element resides in the gap formed by the plurality of extensions;
  - 10 the second cutting element being slidably coupled to the second end such that the second cutting element has at least one extended position and at least one retracted position; and
  - the second cutting element being releasably coupled to the at least one notch, the at least one notch being located to hold the second cutting element in a
  - 15 position consisting of at least one of the at least one extended position and the at least one retracted position.
2. The utility knife according to claim 1, wherein the handle defines an internal space.
- 20 3. The utility knife according to claim 2, further comprising:
  - a first cutting element notch, the first cutting element notch resides in the internal space towards the first end such that only a portion of the first cutting element is exposed in the gap.
- 25 4. The utility knife according to claim 2, further comprising:
  - a second cutting element slide, the second cutting element slide resides in the internal space towards the second end;

the second cutting element is coupled to the second cutting element slide  
30 such that the second cutting element can move in the slot;

an arm having a first end connected to the second cutting element and a  
second end connected to a connector; the connector is coupled to the nub such  
that the connector is slidably received in the latch track, the arm is elastically  
deformable; and

35 at least one prong coupled to the arm, the at least one prong being  
releasably coupled to the at least one notch.

5. The utility knife according to claim 4, further comprising:  
a first cutting element notch, the first cutting element notch resides in the  
40 internal space towards the first end such that only a portion of the first cutting  
element is exposed in the gap.

6. The utility knife according to claim 1, wherein the first cutting  
element and the second cutting element are selected from the group of cutting  
45 elements consisting of a razorblade, a saw, a pick, an awl, and a wedge.

7. The utility knife according to claim 6, wherein the first cutting  
element and the second cutting element are the same type of cutting element.

50 8. The utility knife according to claim 2, further comprising:  
at least one space cutting element notch residing in the internal space.

9. The utility knife according to claim 2, further comprising:  
a second cutting element slide, the second cutting element slide resides in  
55 the internal space towards the second end;  
a second cutting element holder slidably coupled to the second cutting  
element slide;

the second cutting element is coupled to the second cutting element holder such that the second cutting element can move in the slot along with the second cutting element holder;

an arm having a first end connected to the second cutting element holder and a second end connected to a connector; the connector is coupled to the nub such that the connector is slidably received in the latch track, the arm is elastically deformable; and

at least one prong coupled to the arm, the at least one prong being releasably coupled to the at least one notch.

10. The utility knife according to claim 9, wherein the second cutting element comprises a top edge having a plurality of channels forming at least one pin; and the second cutting element holder comprises a latch to fit snugly about the at least one pin to couple the second cutting element to the second cutting element holder.

11. The utility knife according to claim 9, wherein the second cutting element holder comprising a wall having a “C” shape such that the second cutting element snaps into the “C” shape.

12. A dual blade utility knife comprising:

- a handle;
- 80 a first cutting edge;
- a second cutting element;
- an internal space;
- an arm;
- a connector;
- 85 a nub; and
- at least one prong, wherein

the handle comprises a body and a grip, the body having a first end, a second end, a latch track, and at least one notch about the latch track, the first end comprising a plurality of extensions forming a gap, the second end

90 comprising a slot;

the internal space is defined by the handle,

the internal space comprising a first cutting edge notch towards the first end and a second cutting element slider towards the second end, wherein

the first cutting edge being fixedly coupled in the first cutting edge notch

95 such that a portion of the first cutting edge resides in the gap formed by the plurality of extensions;

the second cutting element being slidably coupled to the second cutting element slide such that the second cutting element has at least one extended position and at least one retracted position;

100 the arm having a first end coupled to the second cutting element and a second end coupled to the connector;

the connector coupled to the nub and slidably received within the latch track; and

the at least one prong coupled to second end of the arm and releasably

105 coupled to the at least one notch such that the second cutting element can move between at least one extended position and at least one retracted position.

110 13. The dual blade utility knife according to claim 12, wherein the first cutting edge is selected from the group consisting of a razorblade and a serrated blade.

115 14. The dual blade utility knife according to claim 13, wherein the second cutting element is selected from the group consisting of an awl, a pick, a wedge, a razorblade, and a serrated blade.

15. The dual blade utility knife according to claim 13, wherein the second cutting element is selected to be the same as the first cutting edge.

120 16. The dual blade utility knife according to claim 12, wherein the at least one notch comprises a plurality of notches and at least one notch corresponds to the extended position and the at least another notch corresponds to the retracted position.

125 17. The dual blade utility knife according to claim 16, wherein at least a third notch exists corresponding to a position selected from the group consisting of at least a partial extended position and a partial retracted position.

130 18. The dual blade utility knife according to claim 12, further comprising at least one spare storage notch.

19. A utility knife comprising:
- a handle, the handle comprising a body and a grip, the body having a first end and a second end;
  - a first cutting element coupled to the first end;
  - 5 a second cutting element coupled to the second end;
  - means for holding the first cutting element to provide a safety feature that inhibits accidents; and
  - means for moving the second cutting element from at least one extended position to at least one retracted position.
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